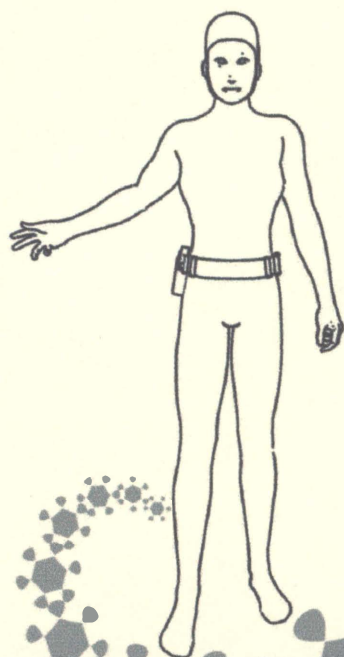
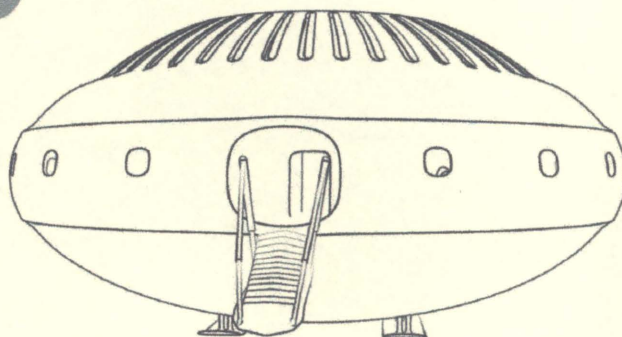
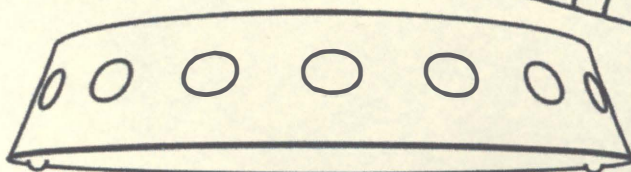
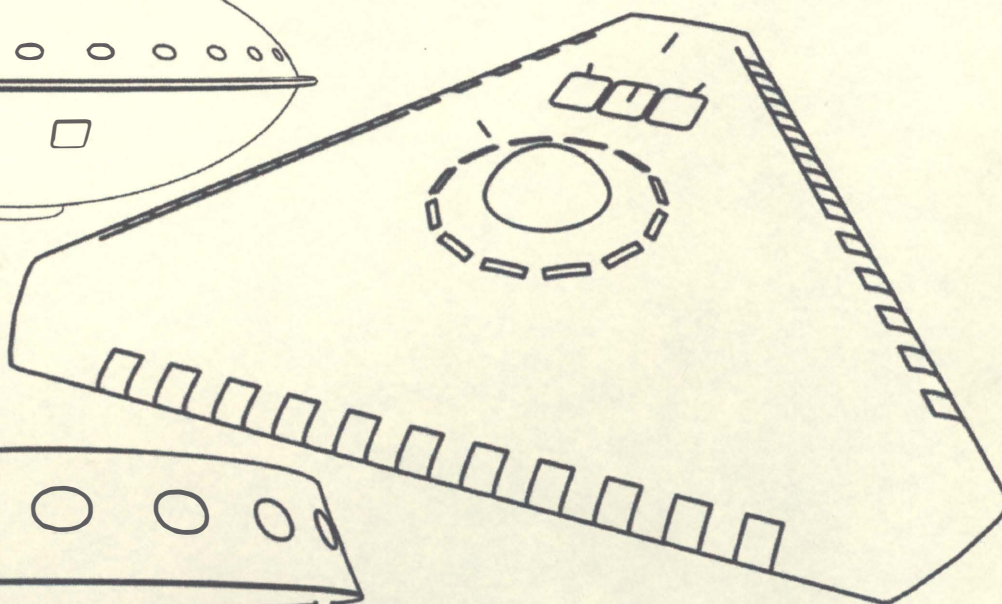
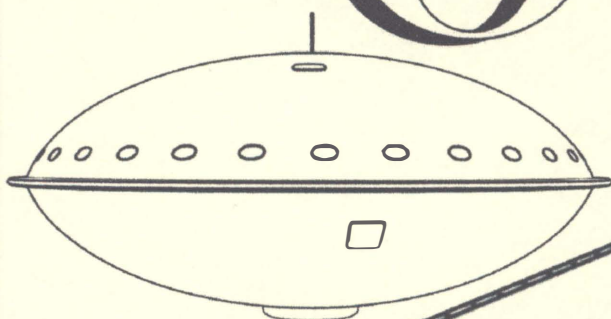




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SO WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT ?

(Just in case you missed it!)

'The Sun' 8th January 2009

UFO researchers are claiming damage to a Lincolnshire wind farm turbine was caused by a mystery aircraft.

The turbine at Conisholme lost one 66ft (20m) blade and had another badly damaged in the early hours of Sunday.

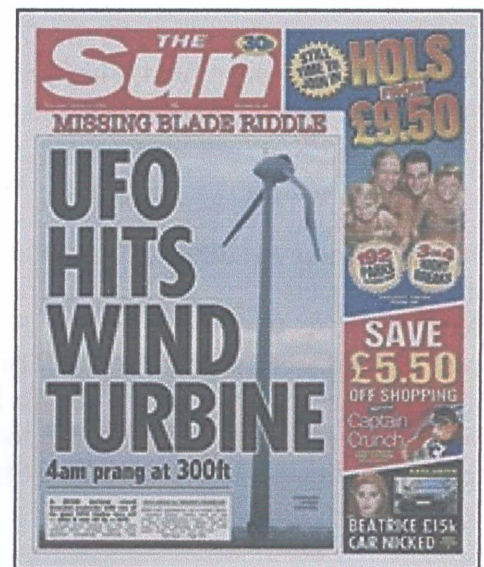
Local ufologists said they had received many reports of activity in the area and had teams searching for clues.

Ecotricity, which owns the site, said while investigations continued they were not ruling anything out - but the extent of damage was "unique".

The turbine is one of 20 at the Conisholme site, which has been running for three years. **The broken blade has been recovered and is being examined.** *(No 'Missing Blade Riddle' it seems!)*

Dale Vince, founder of Ecotricity, said the company was keeping an open mind about the incident. "We don't have an explanation at the moment as to what the cause was," he said. "We have been crawling all over it and have sent bits off for analysis to see if we can work out what caused it. Until we have some idea, some plausible explanation that it was not a UFO, I don't think we should rule it out". "To make one of these blades fall off, or to bend it, takes a lot."

The Ministry of Defence said it was not looking into the incident. A spokesman said: "The MoD examines reports solely to establish whether UK airspace may have been compromised by hostile or unauthorised military activity. "Unless there's evidence of a potential threat, there's no attempt to identify the nature of each sighting reported."



Editors Note: Several PRA technical members discussed this story when it first appeared and came to the conclusion that the guidance system of a UFO is far too sophisticated to allow the craft to run into a standing wind turbine!

Day 2: The SUN reported.....Ministry of Defence insiders offered an intriguing explanation last night and said the UFOs are a secret unmanned stealth bomber on test flights.

The black delta-wing craft, called Taranis, is about the same size as the Hawk jet trainers used by the Red Arrows at nearby RAF Scampton. The plane is being developed by Bae Systems to deliver bombs in battlefields like Afghanistan. It is understood to have been making test runs on the coastal bombing ranges at Donna Nook and North Coates, right next to the site of the wrecked turbine... Witnesses have described seeing a craft dubbed the "Octopus UFO" because strands were dangling from it. *(Aerials?)*

Editors Comment: So who let the cat out of the bag then? We know of such a British small delta craft controlled from a parent aircraft (Wigan Observer 22 August 1996), but is it made of cast iron?

LATEST UFO REPORTS (UK)

(Courtesy of HBCC Research)

STAFFORDSHIRE SIGHTING

Date: January 3, 2009 **Time:** 12:45 a.m. **Number of witnesses:** 2 **Number of objects:** 3

Hi, My husband and I have just seen what we believe to be an unexplained sighting in **Wombourne, Staffordshire**. Driving home around 12.45am 3rd January saw one bright orange light approaching from east. Pointed it to my husband saying looks like helicopter but with an unusual light. Seemed to be searching. Then we saw another one a short distance away and then another. Moving fairly slow. We had stopped the car at this point to watch and even got out of car. The light from all three was a constant, very orange, much like a sodium street light. We had killed the engine to listen - but no sound what so ever. No apparent green, red lights. As we watched we decided to move just around the corner to get a better view over open field. They seemed to form a triangulation and then gradually disappear. This was one of the clearest nights with a mass of stars.

WICKFORD, ESSEX

Date: January 1, 2009 **Time:** 00:01 **Number of witnesses:** 2 **Number of objects:** 4

Shape of objects: Orange - round. Weather Conditions: Dry, Clear with small amount of cloud cover.

Description: As with the entry from Billericay, spot on!! Wickford is @ 5 miles away and the objects were in the direction of Billericay. The fireworks from neighbouring properties had just begun to see in the new year. I did not see any fireworks from my position but I did see these objects. They certainly weren't aeroplanes or fireworks due to their movement, formation and colour. The nearest airport from here is Southend, the next would be Stanstead.

WORTHING, WEST SUSSEX

Date: January 1, 2009 **Time:** 12.15 to 1.05 a.m. **Number of witnesses:** 2 **Number of objects:** 10

Shape of objects: Large orange orbs, flying in formation. Weather Conditions: Freezing, fairly clear sky, no wind or breeze, dark night.

Description: I was outside with my partner, welcoming in New Year and watching fireworks over the rooftops nearby, when we noticed 3 large orange orbs flying towards us, high overhead, just inland of the sea, moving directly East to West. They moved at constant speed but in a clear triangle formation. They were large orbs or balls, and bright orange in colour. They appeared to be flying as high as usual commercial aircraft would over this area, estimate maybe 15,000ft, but with no sound or blinking of lights (we're both very familiar with various aircraft lights, living on flight-paths of Gatwick, Heathrow and a small local airport). These were much, much larger than aircraft lights, and much brighter, steady orange lights.

BELTON, NORTH LINCOLSHIRE.

Date: December 31, 2008 **Time:** 9:00 p.m. **No. of witnesses:** 1 **No. of objects:** 1 **Shape of objects:** A round orange ball

Description: It appeared in the sky coming towards the house. I initially thought it was a light aircraft on fire, as a flight path for Robin Hood airport goes over the house. I thought it was going to go out of sight over the house but it moved sharp left onto Westgate Road and stopped above the public house. The colour then started to fade into a faint red. I opened the window but could hear no sound whatsoever. It hovered there for approx 2xminutes before slowly moving back towards the M180 motorway.

HUGE 'FLYING TRIANGLE' SEEN OVER OHIO

By Steve Hammons October 31, 2008 *(With thanks to our colleague Daniel Wilson, Ohio)*

Along the Ohio River, at the nexus of the borders of Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, a huge object said to be "about the size of a large shopping mall and parking lot" was reportedly sighted in the early morning hours of Friday, Oct. 24, by a military veteran who worked in the helicopter aviation field while in the military.

According to a report by Emmy Award-winning TV producer, investigative reporter and author Linda Moulton Howe on her Web site Earthfiles.com, truck driver Tim Comstock was on Route 7 north of the town of Empire, Ohio, at 3:45 a.m. The area is in Jefferson County (named after Thomas Jefferson).

After first seeing a brightly lit object the size of a large pickup truck apparently slowly rising above the tree line, Comstock noticed a much larger dark object that included three bluish lights in a triangular pattern. The bright object seemed to be rising toward the larger object, Comstock told Howe. Comstock said he took three photos with his cell phone camera that caught both the brightly-lit object and the three bluish lights in the triangular formation. The photos are posted on Earthfiles.com.



Cell phone image by Tim Costock, around 3,48am, October 23, 2008 on Route 7 near W.H.Sammis coal power plant between Empire and Stratton, Ohio, along Ohio River

The encounter started as Comstock was driving and saw other cars pulled over on the side of the road. Howe quoted Comstock as saying, "As I was driving along the route, I noticed there were a couple of cars alongside the road with their lights still on. People were standing outside their car and that peaked my curiosity about what was going on. I looked in the direction that they were looking, which was toward the top of a rather large hill." Comstock told Howe, "I looked up and there was a very bright object just above the tree level. I can't really say for sure what it was because I've never seen anything like it." "It seemed self-luminescent. It was about the size of a large pickup truck and it was very bright whenever I looked at it. That's really what caught my attention." "Five or six cars" were pulled over, Comstock stated. "The people standing there looked like they were stuck, just transfixed watching the objects. They weren't moving. They were just standing almost completely still." "They were pretty awe-struck. And it was extremely close to the small town of Empire, Ohio. I don't know if people there saw it. Maybe it was too late at night."

"It didn't look like anything mechanical by any means. To me, it looked like a cocoon," Comstock told Howe. "When I saw it, I was trying to take everything in and that's immediately what I thought when I saw it – that it was organic. That's the feeling that I got. I didn't think it could be anything else. It just came across as something organic." Comstock said that as the object rose, he was able to see the larger object from the light given off by the smaller ascending object. The larger object with the bluish lights seemed to be basically stationary, Comstock said.

Continued over

Ohio F"t' contd.

"As long as I had it [brightly-lit smaller object] in my field of vision, it seemed like it might have risen from above the tree line, I would say a couple thousand feet."

"It was a white light with a little bit of orange inside of it. It had a little bit of red and the shape just seemed so strange to me because it seemed like a biological shape. As I watched that shape, it was rising upward," Comstock stated.

"As I looked above that, I saw a pattern of three bluish-colored lights. They weren't flickering like a star. They were in some kind of sequence, but they were all in tune with each other. They were very large lights. They were definitely not stars." "I'm judging this because I was in the military and worked on helicopters, so I can tell this was pretty low because a couple of thousand feet seems like a lot, but it's really not," he said.

"It seemed like it rose a few thousand feet and then the craft – by the time I lost sight of it – it seems like it might have been maybe 500 feet from whatever the object was above it. So it was definitely getting closer to the triangular craft that was drawing it in," Comstock told Howe. "As the large white-orange object was rising up, it looked like it was going into the center of the triangle of blue lights. At first glance when I saw the triangle of lights and rising, glowing object, I could not process what was going on."

"As the white-orange object got closer to the triangle of lights, I could see from reflected light that the underside of the inside of the triangle pattern of blue lights was one object – one very, very large object. When I saw it with my naked eye, I saw the bottom of the craft and it looked like it was very flat." Comstock described the color of the larger craft above to Howe as being dark gray or black. He said he thought it had a crystalline type of surface that reminded him of a "cracked open piece of coal."

"It was big. About the size of a large shopping mall and parking lot."

"As I was driving, I actually slowed down to about 2 mph and there was no safe place on the side of the road. I slowed down almost to a stop and I was able to get a really good look the whole time everything was happening just above my head. I was able to slow down enough to hold the phone outside my window and still have a view inside the window frame and I was able to take the three pictures there."

But Comstock's feelings about the encounter are puzzling even to himself. Comstock told Howe, "I gave the photos to a couple of my friends to look at. I still have the photos on my phone. I sent them to my wife. I went home this week and I would not look at them on the computer. My friends were telling me about how amazing they are to look at in the larger size and I just can't bring myself to look at them." "I don't think I'm afraid of it. It's something that is such an awesome thing that I just can't wrap my head around it. It's one of those things that if I see it again – whatever I saw, I started trembling and the hair on my arms stood up and I knew I was in the presence of something beautiful and much larger than I could possibly fathom. It was just the most beautiful thing I've ever seen."

"It's a very strange feeling. I don't know. I can't explain it 100%. I can't really fathom why I would feel this way about it, but it was something that struck me as beautiful and awesome at the same time," Comstock said.

"I suppose that once I've calmed down on the inside, I'll be able to look at them, but like I told you earlier, when you called this morning, I've even had trouble looking up at the stars because, as you said, it's a paradigm shift. It's something that completely changes the way I think about life and the universe – completely!"

End.

What's zap?

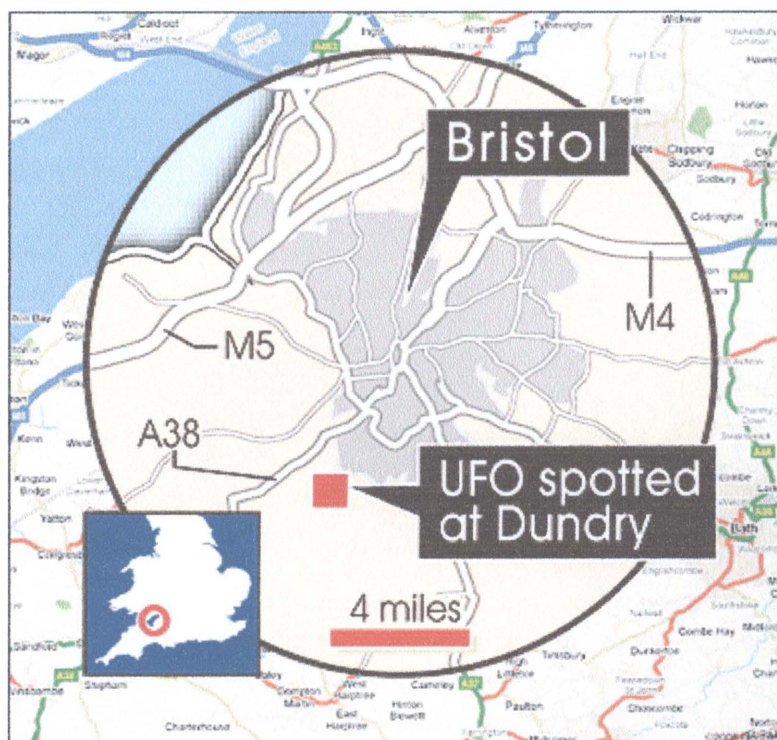
From the Sun newspaper 6th November 2008 Exclusive by John Coles j.coles@the-sun.co.uk

A RED beam of light shoots to the ground from what is believed to be a UFO.

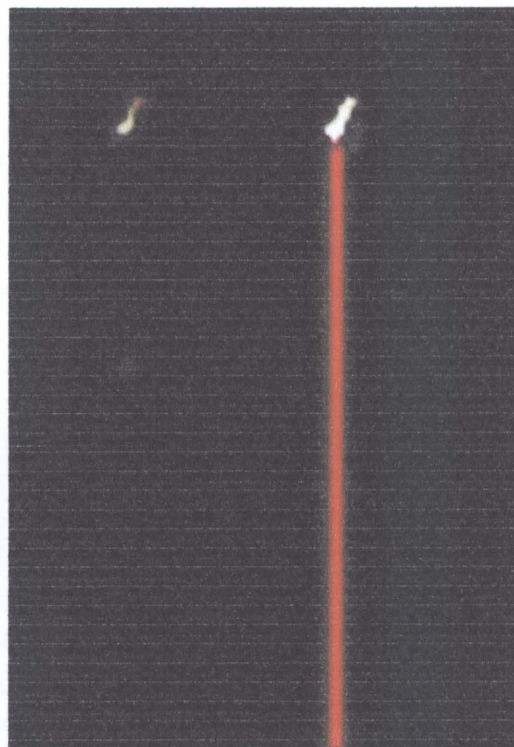
The Sun was yesterday handed dramatic footage of the mysterious craft hovering over Bristol.

Shellie Williams, 20, and her mum Betty, 53, filmed it on their mobile phones. When they zoomed in, they also caught red and white vertical beams not visible to the naked eye.

Care worker Shellie, who watched from outside her home in nearby Hartcliffe, said: "It was bizarre and I was quite frightened."



Spotted ... map of the area where the beam was seen



UFO emitting a red beam?

Betty said: "Through binoculars you could see clusters of lights. "They seemed to form a circle and were attached to something. It freaked us out." Neighbour Tony Jefferies said he had seen the lights on and off for two weeks. In daylight yesterday, Shellie and Betty pinpointed the lights as being close to a radio mast on Dundry Hill.

Air traffic control at Bristol International Airport said it had no reports of "unusual activity". Avon & Somerset police said their helicopter was not out and they had not had UFO reports.

Ed: If you view the video http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=RzU72UI1_60

You will see at first, two UFO balls of light and they both send down a beam/flash of red light.

This is followed shortly afterwards by the appearance of another UFO ball of light, making a total of three UFO's over the area. (Ed: A similar report is detailed on page 10.)

‘Flying Triangle’ Recollections!

(With thanks to Bill Foster, Maine, USA.)

From: Pablo Esteban Mendez in Argentina (aged 21)

I saw a triangular UFO at night during the winter of 2002.

I was on my way back from an English class and I was near my home, when I heard a sound and saw an explosion of light that came from an object behind some trees.

I couldn't believe it , but I didn't run. The object was very close to the ground and I could see it perfectly. It at first started to move upwards in a horizontal way (like a Sea Harrier aircraft) then it moved slowly and went into a vertical position so that I was able to see its triangular form. It had a white light at each corner and a red light in the middle that turned off and on.

After returning from its vertical position it started to move slowly to the left from my position, then it rotated on its own axis. It was very close to the ground and the movement and the sound of the craft were very strange for me.

Then the object/craft kept moving until it was horizontally in front of me again. That's when I started to walk home, I don't know if the object followed me?

I was really astonished (about the incident) and told everyone about it. Some people laughed, some people just didn't believe me, but there were some that had seen the same thing and knew that it was real! Pablo

Editors Comment:

We subsequently contacted Pablo and asked for more details of his encounter with the 'FT', particularly the noise emitted by the craft. We received the following reply:

Hola Omar,

It was a sound that I had never heard before that moment, the first sound I heard of the triangle was joining what I call an explosion of lights (when the triangle appeared behind the top of some trees).

It made a low noise, what is strange, because a jet or an helicopter would have make a lot of noise from that distance, when it rotated on its own axis* to move from right to left (it was coming where I was standing) it made a noise a little higher than when it was frozen in an horizontal way. I'm not joking if I say it was similar to the noise of the spaceships of "The Jetsons" cartoons.

I told that to my classroom and everybody laughed, but it was really similar, it is very hard to explain that noise. I can confirm it was low but freaking at the same time, I couldn't believe what I was seeing at that moment as I didn't know anything about black flying triangles.

I saw another triangle for 10 seconds in my home's garden in the winter of 2008, but this one had three orange lights and was far away from me. It was like disappearing in the sky, I called my brother to see it but when he came the object had disappeared .

Bill told me you could put my report in your newsletter OVNI, if you do, can I get a copy?...I hope this data helps, thanks for writing! Pablo.

**Bill Foster commented that he had a similar recollection of the 'Flying Triangle' rotating on its own axis, at the time of his abduction.*

MYSTERIOUS FORCE CRUSHES SIDE OF WOMANS CAR

NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS, U.S.A. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2008, 21:20 HRS.

<http://www.nuforc.org/>

A young woman was driving at 40-45 mph along Lake Cook Road, when her car suddenly lurched to the right for no reason that was apparent to her. There were no cars within sight on the road, and she had not seen any pedestrian or animal near the car. She stopped her car immediately, got out, and apparently was flabbergasted by the appearance of the left side of her automobile.

The investigating police officer could not provide an adequate explanation for the damage. He noted that there was no damaged paint, and no animal hair, feathers, or blood, evident on the damaged area of the car. NUFORC has passed the case along to Mr. Sam Maranto, Illinois State Director for the Mutual UFO Network ("MUFON"), for follow-up investigation.

We have no reason to believe that the incident was UFO-related, but we have no explanation for how the extensive damage to the car could have occurred. If any of the visitors to our site have ever witnessed this type of damage to a car, we would welcome comments or suggestions.



Witness statement:

"The entire left side of my car appears to be scorched but no paint was removed.

I was driving 40-45 miles per hour heading north toward I-94 East towards Chicago on Lake Cook Road. While I was in the middle lane, I felt a nudge on the left of my car which made my car shift to the right. I did not swerve out of the lane and gained control back quickly.

I slowed down and as I got my bearings, I realized that my left side mirror was knocked off and so I turned right onto Revere Drive and put on my hazard lights.

I got out of the car and saw that I had several dents on the side of my car. There were two that were deeper and larger than the others; one was located in front of the rear wheel and the other was in the center of the driver door.

I called 911 to file a police report and the officer said that I was side swiped by another car but, there were not any cars around me before or after the hit and also there were no paint scratches from other cars on my car."

Ed: This investigation is ongoing, but the damage appears to have been caused by a strong invisible wave motion. There is no way of telling if a beam weapon of some type is being developed in the area, but it appears extremely unlikely that there is a rational explanation at this stage.

ERIC MORRIS - UFO AND PARANORMAL RESEARCHER - 1953-2008



An Appreciation by Tim Matthews 13 December 2008 (Edited)

It is with great sadness that I must tell you about the death last week of Eric Morris, who many of you will know as a prominent Ufologist on the scene over the last 25 years. Eric died in Gibraltar last week and was discovered by his wife, Linda. Initial reports suggest a ruptured spleen as the cause of death.

Eric Morris was a colourful figure on Britain's UFO scene and first began his involvement with the quest back in the 1970s whilst serving in the Royal Navy (he joined in 1970). Eric served as a combat medic in the Falkland Islands conflict of 1982 tending the injured on board ship as well as in the field. After 15 years service he left to follow a long career in nursing, a profession he enjoyed and which he continued to follow after leaving England for Gibraltar in early 2008. Not content to work the long hours his chosen profession required, he studied hard, and was awarded a specialist Nursing Degree in 2000. He worked as a Supervisor and Team Leader in a number of Cheshire hospitals and nursing homes as a result.

One of his passions was Ufology and he attended numerous events, appeared on TV programmes and wrote articles for a number of "X-Files" spin-off publications in the 1990s. I first met him in 1996 at the Staffordshire UFO Conference in Rugeley. At the time, his British UFO Studies Centre, run from Winsford then Northwich, was well-known on the scene and Eric knew all the major players. He would drive hundreds of miles to investigate a case. Initially, he focussed on claims of Close Encounters and "alien abductions" but became very skeptical about these in later years. We hit it off from the start and we regularly travelled to Conferences, meetings and events. Eric acted as a sort of "security man" for me on occasions, his boxing abilities being of use on more than one occasion in 1998-1999!

From the mid 1990s onwards Eric, myself and up to a dozen others regularly visited Wiltshire during the Summer to investigate crop circles and associated phenomena. In 1998, we staked out the UK Headquarters of the CDCN near RAF Rudloe Manor and subsequently located the government's new emergency bolt hole at a nearby quarry, much to the interest of Channel 4 news and the chagrin of their full-time reporters. Who said Ufological investigations can't be fun?! In 2004 Eric appeared in a TV documentary made by Jon Lundberg titled "The Mythologist" that investigated his early dealings with Henry Azadehdel, aka Armen Victorian, whom he met on a number of occasions in the late 1980s.

From 2000, I was lucky to work with Eric organising a number of small but successful Paranormal Conferences in Runcorn that raised hundreds of pounds for the Cat's Protection League. This was Eric's other main passion, evidenced by a houseful of rescue cats that ruled the roost! This part of his life was little-known to UFO enthusiasts but he donated thousands to Cat's Protection over the years. Eric was a caring man, despite his somewhat brusque deportment and non-nonsense "in public" attitude.

He was a very kind man and was always extremely generous with presents for my daughters Alexandra and Freya. With this in mind, Eric also nursed our good friend David Kelly, another BUFOSC member, at the time of his death from Cancer in 2000. Eric maintained his passion for Ufology until the end. He will be greatly missed by those of us who were privileged to know him. I understand that Eric's body will be flown from Gibraltar to Winsford where a funeral will be held.

Ed: I met Eric on a number of occasions and we shared a common bond, that of both having served in the Royal Navy. As related above, he was a kind-hearted dedicated researcher and will be sadly missed

I SPOTTED A TRIANGULAR UFO

From the Southern Daily Echo (Southampton Area)

I have read that people have recently sighted UFO's around Shirley and Millbrook and that they are triangular!

When I read that other people had seen them I just had to write to you because I too had seen a triangular craft in Shirley in the 1980's.

I was with my mother and cousin, we were leaving my aunt's flat in Vaudry Close, Church Street, Shirley.

It was around 10pm or 11pm and my cousin was giving us a lift home to Millbrook. The car was parked at the back of the flats, as we were walking around the side of the flats to go to the car, my mother saw an object just coming over the roof of the flats behind Vaudry Close and pointed to it, saying "what's that?"

I looked up and saw a triangular object which was moving very slowly, it was so slow that you could walk to keep up with it.

I just stood still, looking up at it in disbelief and then I waved at it. Eventually it was right above me and I looked up at it and could see in good detail the machinery of the triangular craft.

I could see box sections, pipes and lights. It was most definitely not a plane or any other object that could be explained. As it passed over my head, I was still looking up at the triangular shaped craft, it made no noise at all. I watched it until it was out of sight and then I went to the car and went home to Millbrook.

I have not told many people what I saw, for fear of ridicule and would not like to feel that people would think I was completely insane. Julian Doncom, Millbrook. Monday 30th June 2008.

Bus travellers near Oxford spot UFO 'shooting beams of light'

10:38am Monday 5th January 2009 Three people believe they spotted a UFO flying just outside Oxford. The trio, who asked not to be named, reported the sighting in the early hours of Saturday to Wheatley-based Contact International UFO Research. Contact spokesman Michael Soper said the three people were travelling on the Oxford Tube towards London and were about ten minutes outside the city, just before 1am. He said: "An object came over the top of them, it was very impressive and shooting orange and white beams in all directions. It came over silently. They didn't know what it was and the driver didn't know what it was. It was moving from the south east to the north west. "They could see the base was flat and made of panels — they didn't know of any aircraft like that."

Other Witnesses In The Area Reported...

jaynevaughan, bicester says...5:54pm Tue 6 Jan 09

we also saw 2 ufos over Churchill road at about 20 past 9 with a bright reddy orange coloured light, it hovered for about 10 minutes directly over our house and both went behind the clouds and moved towards the white horse pub in Bicester.

A Witness from Abingdon states...4:10pm Wed 7 Jan 09

We saw something strange in the sky new years and 2 nights later. at first I thought them to be Chinese lanterns but as the orange lights grew closer one split into two and then shot off through the sky. Looked at them through binoculars, just seemed to be some silent orange flame that changed shape, I don't believe in visitors from other planets, I would like to know if anyone else witnessed this over Abingdon. *(PRA member Paul Blackshaw has reported that a local West Yorkshire radio station has received numerous calls about red/orange and white lights being seen in the sky)*

FLYING TRIANGLE SEEN NEAR CHELTENHAM 16 NOV. 2008

E-mailed to the PRA By 'Brian'

Hi, I was at one time an investigator with Circular Forum the Gloucestershire UFO based group which has now disbanded. The FT sighting that I have emailed to you, unfortunately is not mine but was seen by a local man 'D H' 34 an account director who resides at Landsdown Crescent, Cheltenham and he is desperate to hear from anyone else that might have seen it and to get in touch. His encounter occurred near Cirencester. Gloucestershire 'Echo' clipping 17th Nov 08.. His words:

"I was driving towards Cheltenham when I definitely saw a large shape in the sky.

A car in front of me saw it and braked as well. It was a perfect triangle about the size of two double-decker buses. It must have been 100ft in the air and had lights at each corner and one at the centre."

Mr Hicks said the object remained in his vision for about a minute and was heading in the direction of Charlton Kings and added that " I know it is easy for people to seem crazy when they talk about spotting UFOs but I have never seen anything so vivid and strange and I have been thinking about it ever since. Presumably the sighting occurred either the day before - 16th or possibly 15th.. A Gloucestershire Police spokesman said the force had not received reports of strange objects in the sky around Cirencester on Friday.

So there you have it! Unfortunately it would appear that whoever covered this story (Echo News), didn't have the presence of mind to ask what time of day it was/ what road he was travelling on/conditions etc.. there are as you know air bases in close proximity to Cheltenham with Brize Norton being one and what with the war in Afghanistan and the Gulf any information coming from them will be, to say the least, probably zilch.. The F117 nighthawk a possible candidate perhaps?

Hope this might help in some way.. Brian

UFO LIGHTS OVER BORROWASH, DERBY. 9.30PM 21st NOVEMBER 2008

A report from Mrs 'BV':

My husband and I were outside (in the garden) when he noticed two very bright orange lights. Initially he thought that they were fireworks, but then noticed that as they came closer and closer, they were not fireworks. They were so near, it was as if they wanted us to see them, or did they want to see us?

Then a third object appeared behind them, we just couldn't believe what we were seeing. They were moving slowly, but it was as though they were being driven or controlled.

I took my mobile phone from my pocket and I managed to take three photo's and a video, before they moved over our roof and to the front of the house.

We ran around to the front (of the house) and could still see them. One of the two front ones then darted off to the right, then moved back very close to the other one again, the third one still stayed behind. Eventually they went out of sight.

We must have watched them for around two minutes - it was unbelievable.

My mobile phone could not receive any calls for three and a half hours after taking the photographs and I know that messages had been sent to me around 9.30pm.

The photographs were not very good, but an orange/red line can be seen coming down from one of them on my video, although we didn't actually see it at the time.

The colour of the extremely bright lights was orange and they looked like a hazy rugby ball.

The altitude of the lights was only about 100ft up and they were completely silent.

A SHIPWRECK MYSTERY IN 1964

By Mark Andrews of Wallasey, Wirral, Cheshire.

(Our thanks to Margaret Fry for this report.)

Name of the ship: M.V. Atzamaut of the Atid Shipping Company

I will tell you about my (*UFO*) encounter when I was a radio officer on an Israeli ship called the M.V. Atzamaut of the Atid Shipping Company, Haifa.

As a seagoing radio officer I served on ships of many nationalities. When you read this, you will understand why I have only told a few close friends about it. I too fear the scoffers.

It was in 1964 and we were anchored about half a mile off Jaffa, discharging cargo into lighters (*smaller cargo barges etc.*).

The lighters were warned about an impending severe storm and sheared off to Jaffa. Foolishly we remained at anchor off a lee shore.

The wind came up with almost hurricane force and very big seas. After being pounded all through the night, at dawn, we broke our cable (*anchor cable*) and were pounded onto the coast about half a mile or more to the south of Jaffa harbour.

I was told to send out an 'SOS' (*distress*) message. I did this out of my head, I did not waste time writing it out. I have a feeling that this was the cause of what followed, because I do know that telepathy has no restraining factor of distances, even to the stars, otherwise why pray? When we look up at a star surely our mind is with that star? Mind power is the most powerful force on earth or in the heavens.

The ship was now hard aground and when I went on deck, I saw that the hatches had filled with water so that the ship was completely water-logged and therefore bedded solidly onto and into the ground under the keel.

Now follows the part that you may or may not believe, but it is true and verifiable!

I went onto the boat deck and sat down on a bench facing aft, to weigh up the situation. I was not overwrought or hallucinating because of the shipwrecking. I had been too long a seafarer to get upset at this kind of incident. (*At this stage there was only a skeleton crew of five people on board*)

What did amaze me was as I sat down, the sea went calm and blue. I looked at the sky and there was not a cloud in sight. It had become like a summers day morning.

What was in sight, facing me in a clear blue sky, no more than a mile away and at about the height of a wartime barrage balloon (*approx. 1000-2000feet*) was a box-like object. It was quite silvery and reflecting the morning rays of the sun.

I do not know if it was panelled or not, but I could see it was covered in a criss-cross trellising, the same as an ordinary trellis garden fence. It had a leg at each corner and I suppose that it was only a survey craft from a much larger UFO (I did not look around to see if there was one).

Now the 'funny' part:

As this craft hung stationary in the sky, this dead weighted ship full of water and half a cargo, started to bump, bump along the sea bed at about four miles an hour, walking pace! It was bumped along the coast and was eventually placed, yes placed, gently alongside the end of the concrete jetty of Jaffa harbour! So close, that when we gathered our wits, we ran a short plank ashore as a gangway!

While the ship was bumping along I had been watching the object in the sky. When we reached our destination I went to get binoculars from the ships chart room, but when I returned it had disappeared!

(Mark Andrews underwent a number of 'astral' experiences during his lifetime, including alien contact. He died on the 25th December 1999)

ARE WE MARTIANS?

(Condensed from Filers Files #36)

Sir Fred Hoyle and Chandra Wickramasinghe popularized about 30 years ago, claims the seeds of life are everywhere, and that life on Earth could have traveled here from Mars or even from another star system, and then evolved into the plethora of species seen today.

Mainstream scientists often dismissed the hypothesis, but now it has been proven life can endure a trip from one world to another. One key breakthrough was a 2000 study that concluded bacteria aboard a rock from Mars, found on Earth, remained cool enough during its violent ejection from the red planet and its fiery trip through our atmosphere to remain alive. "It is an exciting result that seems to support the idea that life forms could be exchanged between planets such as Earth and Mars," said David Morrison, an astrobiologist at NASA's Ames Research Center. "Now we know that species from three very different organism groups bacteria, lichens and invertebrate animals are able to survive at least short periods under space vacuum and also under some restricted conditions of solar radiation," said K. Ingemar Jonsson, who led the tardigrade study out of Kristianstad University in Sweden. "And if protected from sunlight, all these groups could probably survive for several months, perhaps years, in space." To travel through space, it looks like a bug or small animal needs a rock for protection. Equally important, the creature needs a hospitable environment upon arrival. Thanks to Science.

Mars to Earth

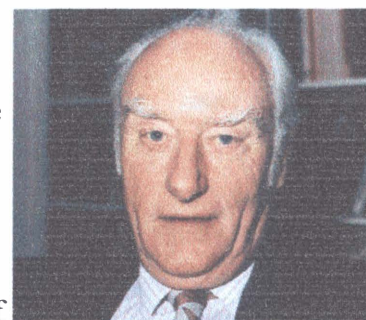
Some scientists think life might have originated on Mars and then been transported to Earth in a meteorite kicked up by an asteroid impact. "Mars had a stable crust 4.5 billion years ago, at a time when Earth was still in the throes of recovery from the moon-forming impact," said Jay Melosh of the Lunar and Planetary Lab at the University of Arizona. "So conditions on Mars were conducive to the origin of life long before those on Earth." Melosh explains what might have happened next: "Once life began on Mars, the Late Heavy Bombardment [lots of big rocks crashed into Earth and Mars about 4 billion years ago] would have provided abundant means of transport for the Mars-Earth diaspora. Given Mars' current very hostile surface environment, I would not be surprised if it petered out later (maybe some life still persists in the subsurface, living off the chemical and energetic gleanings from Mars' still-active volcanism). Melosh calls the scenario "an excellent bet." "It's plausible that our early progenitors were transported here," Schuerger said, "but I think that's a complicated method. I think it's a lot easier to say life started on Earth and evolved on Earth."

N.B. We now know that Mars had water and likely life much sooner than Earth.

Dr. Francis Crick won the Nobel Prize for helping to discover the structure of DNA, the master molecule of life states, "the 'origin of life' was from space." He states, "Life did not evolve first on Earth, a highly advanced civilization became threatened so they devised a way to pass on their existence." Scientists have recently discovered large sequences of "junk" DNA that contain no genes and appears to be very stable. "If ET has put a message into terrestrial organisms, this is surely where to look,"

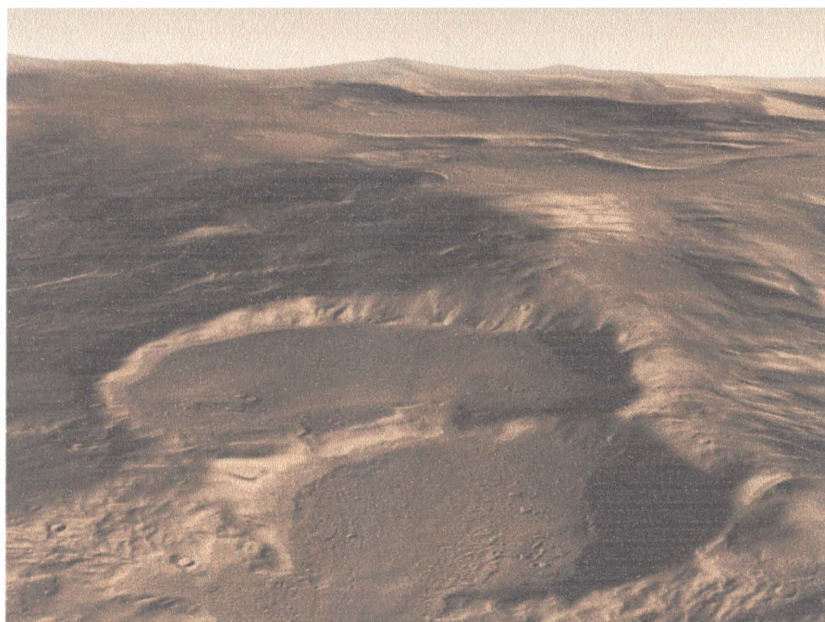
I think there is a prejudice among scientists regarding current evolutionary theories. Many of them have spent their careers considering the theory to be scientific fact and are loath to let that go. Their need to cling to that theory at all costs smacks more of faith than science. Besides the evidence that there was but a single genetic code, there is also the issue of so-called "simple" cell complexity.

Dr. Crick wanted to determine the probability that even a single molecule of DNA could come into existence by chance. The probability for transition from inanimate to animate would be ten to the 40,000th power. Mathematically speaking, anything above ten to the 50th power is considered statistically impossible, because the sum total of all the electrons in the universe is only ten to the fifty-second power.



Dr Francis Crick

MARTIAN NEWS



Radar Indicates Buried Glaciers on Mars

Data Credit : [NASA/JPL-Caltech/UTA/UA/MSSS/ESA/DLR/JPL Solar System Visualization Project](#)

Explanation: What created this unusual terrain on Mars? The floors of several mid-latitude craters in [Hellas Basin](#) on Mars appear unusually grooved, flat, and shallow. [New radar images](#) from the [Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter](#) bolster an exciting hypothesis: huge [glaciers](#) of buried ice. Evidence indicates that [such glaciers](#) cover an area larger than a city and extend as much as a kilometer deep. The ice would have been kept from [evaporating](#) into the [thin Martian air](#) by a covering of dirt. If true, this would indicate the largest volume of water ice outside of the [Martian poles](#), much larger than the [frozen puddles](#) recently discovered by the [Phoenix lander](#). Such lake-sized ice blocks located so close to the Martian equator might make a good drinking reservoir for [future astronauts exploring Mars](#).

Orbiter finds Martian rock holding a rhythmic record

NASA/JPL NEWS RELEASE Posted: December 5, 2008

PASADENA, Calif. -- Climate cycles persisting for millions of years on ancient Mars left a record of rhythmic patterns in thick stacks of sedimentary rock layers, revealed in three-dimensional detail by a telescopic camera on NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.



Rhythmic bedding in sedimentary bedrock within Becquerel crater on Mars is suggested by the patterns in this image from NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter. Credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech/University of Arizona

TAIL ENDERS

Witnesses see same craft in Wales. Last updated: 14 November 2008

Two taxi drivers claim to have seen a diamond-shaped craft over the River Dee at Flint and a security guard called the object a flying "sting-ray" when he saw it from nearby Deeside.



FRENCH RESEARCHER, Paul Ponsot, has postponed his visit to Derby until later in the year. Paul runs his own bookshop in Paris and will probably visit the PRA in Derby in May/June this year.

DR EMILY BALDWIN ASTRONOMY NOW Posted: 09 January, 2009 According to scientists presenting their work at the American Astronomical Society meeting this week, cosmic radio noise booms six times louder than expected, potentially drowning out the sounds of the early Universe. Scientists made the discovery using the balloon-borne ARCADE instrument, or Absolute Radiometer for Cosmology, Astrophysics and Diffuse Emission, which has resided at an altitude of 36 kilometres – the boundary between the Earth's atmosphere and the vacuum of space – since July 2006

2012 SOLAR PREDICTION! While the sun is in a lull now, activity can flare up at any moment, and severe space weather — how severe, nobody knows — will ramp up a year or two before the peak. The race is on for better forecasting abilities, as the next peak in solar activity is [expected to come around 2012](#). Some scientists expect the next peak to bring more severe events than other recent peaks. "A catastrophic failure of commercial and government infrastructure in space and on the ground can be mitigated through raising public awareness, improving vulnerable infrastructure and developing advanced forecasting capabilities,"

POLICE SET TO STEP UP HACKING OF HOME PCs January 4, 2009 The Home Office has quietly adopted a new plan to allow police across Britain routinely to hack into people's personal computers without a warrant. The move, which follows a decision by the European Union's council of ministers in Brussels, has angered civil liberties groups and opposition MPs. They described it as a sinister extension of the surveillance state which drives "a coach and horses" through privacy laws. <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/politics/article5439604.ece>

BLACKPOOL ORANGE UFO REPORT Dec 30 9pm (Source: HBCC Research)

My brother and I were fishing when we noticed an orange light moving from south to north.

As the light approached us, it slowed down then it hovered above us for a few seconds and then moved on. We watched for about 2 mins. Moving out to sea.

Then it stopped, then it accelerated like nothing I have ever seen. At first we thought it may have been some kind of secret plane, but it made no noise and I have not seen a plane move that fast before.

THE NEXT PRA MEETING

Will be held at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, Derby on Tuesday 27th January 09 , at 8pm.

A presentation by the Physicist and well known lecturer **Andrew Johnson**

THE MARS MYSTERY (Part 2)

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